

## **Guam Football Association**

### 2017 SPRING TRIPLE J RWYL – U6

Under 6 (2011, 2012, 2013)

| Field of Play    | Comp: 18x15 ; Grass Fields                         | Suggested Roster Size | 10        |
|------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------|
| Ball             | Size 3   | Goalkeeper (Y/N)      | NO        |
| Duration         | U6: 4-8 Min quarters; 1 min break; 5 min half-time | Substitution          | Unlimited |
| Players on field | 5v5: Maximum 5; Minimum 3                          | Referees              | NO        |

Unless specifically stated, all rules of the game will be in accordance to FIFA 2016/17 Laws of the Game.

It is mandatory for coaches to inspect players' equipment, including player card, before every match.

(See Law 5)

**Law 1 – Field of Play:** Matches will be played on the natural grass surfaces. Players may wear either cleats or tennis shoes.

Safety – Goals must be anchored securely to the ground. To assist with safety of all players, coaches referees and staff, check before all warm-up and matches take place.

**Law 2 – The Ball:** The balls must be provided by the home team (listed first). The ball will be inspected by the Referees for approval for use. Should the ball provided by the team not be adequate, the referees will defer to the visiting team for a ball to use.

**Law 3 – Number of Players:** A match is played by two teams, each consisting of not more than five (5) players, one of whom is the goalkeeper. A match may not start if either team consist of fewer than three (3) players.

Number of Substitutions: Unlimited substitution is allowed.

#### **Law 4 – Players' Equipment:**

Basic Equipment: The basic compulsory equipment of a player comprises the following separate items:

- A jersey or shirt with sleeves
- Shorts No pockets allowed.
- Stockings Players must have stockings with the same base color (black socks, black socks with white stripes, etc.)
- Shinguards a) are covered entirely by the stockings, b) are made of rubber, plastic or similar suitable material, c) provide a reasonable degree of protection (Caution: For the intent and purpose for player's safety, the shinguards must be age/size appropriate which covers the majority of the player's shins. It shall be the coaches' responsibility to ensure that the players are wearing proper sized shinguards).

Colors: The two teams must wear colors that distinguish them from each other. Should it conflict, the home team (listed first) on schedule must wear bibs.

**Law 5 – The Referee:** There are no referees assigned to U6. Coaches will be coordinators who will adhere to the start and end of each match. Coaches are also responsible for inspecting the players' equipment before every match. It is recommended that one coach controls the first two quarters of the game and the other for the latter two quarters of the game. Those quarters of the match is monitored by the coach on the pitch.

Law 6 - The Other Match Officials: Not applicable.

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- **Law 7 Duration of the Match:** The match lasts four equal quarters of eight minutes (4 8 minutes quarters). One minute break in between quarters with half-time interval must not exceed five (5) minutes. It is imperative to remain on schedule. The duration of the match or half-time may be altered only with the decision of the Youth Administrator to keep the match on schedule. There will be no grace periods to delay the start of a match. There will be no added time given.
- **Law 8 The Start and Restart of Play:** Kick off will be awarded to the Home team. In the second half, the teams change ends and the opposite team will take the kick-off. The ball is in play when it is kicked and clearly moved (can go backwards or sideways). A goal may NOT be scored directly from the kick-off. The player taking the kick-off cannot touch the ball again before it has touched another player. (If the player touches it twice during kick-off, the kick-off is retaken.)
- **Law 9 The Ball In and Out of Play:** The ball is out of play when a) it has wholly crossed the goal line or touch line whether on the ground or in the air, b) play has been stopped by the coaches.

The ball is in play at all other times, including when a) it rebounds off a goalpost, crossbar or corner flagpost and remains in the field of play, b) it rebounds off either the coaches when they are in or out of field of play.

- **Law 10 Determining the Outcome of a Match:** A goal is scored when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, between the goalposts and under the crossbar, provided that no infringement of the LOTG has been committed previously by the team scoring the goal.
- **Law 11 Offside:** There are no offside in this division.
- **Law 12 Fouls and Misconduct:** A player who commits a cautionable or sending-off offence, either on or off the field of play, whether directed towards an opponent, a team-mate, the coaches or any other person, is disciplined according to the nature of the offence committed.

Both coaches are responsible to jointly control the game for U6. Coaches are expected to call obvious pushing, tripping, and intentional hand balls. It is recommended that one coach controls one half of the game and the other for the second half of the game.

- **Law 13 Free Kicks:** All fouls (in or outside of the penalty area) will result in an indirect free kick. Opposing players to be at least 5 yards from the ball (or on goal line between goal posts).
- **Law 14 The Penalty Kick:** There are NO penalty kicks. All fouls made by a defending player in their penalty area will result in indirect free-kick from the nearest point on the penalty area arc. All players with exception of the kicker and goalkeeper must be 5 yards from the ball and either even or behind the ball. Penalty kicks will be taken from the top of the arc.
- **Law 15 The Throw-In:** A throw-in is awarded to the opponents of the player who last touched the ball when the whole of the ball crosses the touch line, either on the ground or in the air. A goal cannot be scored directly from a throw-in. Players get two (2) chances on throw-ins for U6 only.
- **Law 16 The Goal Kick:** A goal kick is awarded when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, either on the ground or in the air, having last touched a player of the attacking team, a goal is not scored in accordance with Law 10. A goal may be scored directly from a goal kick, but only against the opposing team.

Opponents remain outside the penalty area until the ball is in play. The kicker must not play the ball again until it has touched another player. The ball is in play when it is kicked directly out of the penalty area. (If the kicker touches it again or has not cleared the area, the kick is retaken.)

**Law 17 – The Corner Kick:** A corner kick is awarded when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, either on the ground or in the air, having last touched a player of the defending team, and a goal is not scored in accordance with Law 10. A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick, but only against the opposing team. Opposing player must be at least 5 yards from the ball.

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#### Added:

- Slide tackling will not be permitted. Slide tackling can endanger the safety of the opponent and must be discouraged as much as possible by the responsibility of the coach.
- Goal Keeper: There are NO goal keeper in U6.

#### **OTHERS MATTERS:**

- 1. **SCHEDULES**: GFA reserves the right to make changes to the schedule based on availability of the facility. GFA will determine if any reschedule matches will be warranted due to inclement weather, acts of God, or any other unforeseen circumstances. Teams may not request for match to be rescheduled.
- 2. **ID Cards Check:** Coaches must check opposing team's player ID cards.
- 3. **ELIGILBITY:** Player must have current GFA ID Card. Players must play for **ONE TEAM ONLY**. Club violating this will be sanctioned by the GFA Youth Administrator.
- 4. **INELIGIBLE PLAYER:** Further sanctions will be made should a team play an ineligible player(s) during the league. It is the teams (coaches/club representative) responsibility to ensure that he/she does not play an ineligible player. Under no condition will the officials of GFA (staff, referees, committee) will be held responsible for any player that is ineligible and play(ed) in the match. Your cooperation is highly appreciated.
- 5. **COACHES (TECHNICAL AREA):** Coaches must adhere to technical area, pitch rules and code of conduct standards. No coaches on the endlines. Please refer to the Zero Tolerance Policy.
- 6. **DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:** This will be addressed on case by case.
- 7. **FAIR PLAY CAMPAIGN**: As part of our sponsor, Triple J Auto Group, advocating the Fair Play Campaign, please refer to the Fair Play Campaign.
- 8. **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY:** It is the club representative and coaches for all age division to abide and uphold the Zero Tolerance Policy throughout the year and at times. Effective in 2016, GFA's campaign with joint effort by all members of GFA to uphold this policy for the Good of the Game. Main area of focus is the dissent, harassment and abuse toward others which includes but not limited to, referees, GFA staff, security guards, players, coaches, spectators and parents.
- INCIDENT REPORT: Please report any/all incident via incident form provided online or in Main Office. Serious/Confidential matters email to: <a href="mailto:voice@theguamfa.com">voice@theguamfa.com</a>
   All others to: <a href="mailto:gfayouth@theguamfa.com">gfayouth@theguamfa.com</a>
- Midseason Youth League Meeting Tuesday, March 14, 2017 6:30pm: Open to Club representatives, Coaches and Parents.

#### ABSOLUTELY: NO SMOKING! NO ALCHOLIC BEVERAGE! NO PETS ALLOWED!

#### GFA YOUTH SOCCER CODE OF CONDUCT

We, the coaches, team managers, and proud parents / relatives of GFA Youth League's soccer player, promise to be a model coach, manager, spectator at games in which our son / daughter / relative is a participant, as well as at other games where youth are present with us. We will:

- 1. encourage fair play
- 2. cheer in a positive manner for all players, regardless of which team they represent
- 3. not criticize the performance of my child or his / her teammates
- 4. not criticize the opponents of our team
- 5. not embarrass my own player by my behavior
- 6. allow the coaches to do the coaching, and coaches will conduct themselves in a model way
- 7. show respect for the game officials by not criticizing them or undermining their authority in the eyes of our players
- 8. display good sportsmanship as a positive example for my player

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- 9. represent not only my player, but also the team, our club, the league, and the game of soccer and will conduct myself accordingly.
- 10. do the greater good

# Failure to abide by the "GFA CODE OF CONDUCT" prescribed above, the following steps will be taken by the GFA Youth Administrator, Chyna Ramirez

- 1. Verbal warning
- 2. Written warning
- 3. Game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by organizations involved
- 4. Game forfeit
- 5. Parental season suspension.
- 6. Should the spectator be a youth member of GFA, player card may be seized

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